



SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE EXPLANATION

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Name of School: **King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang International
Demonstration School**

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- Briefly describe the nature of the change:

In April of 2021, our school will relocate to our new Hi-Tech Building on the KMITL Campus. We have been operating in temporary but purpose-renovated classrooms on the KMITL campus since our founding in 2017, and as our sensational new facility has been completed and is ready for occupancy, we will be moving our operations there during a 3-week school break from April 3 - 25, 2021.

- Explain the reason for the change:

Our School Mission and Vision is to develop Thailand's Leaders of Tomorrow, nurturing Masters of Innovation. Emphasizing 21st Century Skills and a commitment to leadership in STEAM education, our school's premise is predicated on applied technology and innovation. To this purpose, our "Smart" facility has been engineered with cutting-edge functionality and design to enable our superlative students and faculty to maximize their potential to embody the School's purpose. Our Founder and Board's vision for inspiring students to reach greater heights in STEAM will be realized by our exceptional new learning spaces, including innovation labs, university-caliber physical, chemical, and biology labs, state-of-the-art I.T. facilities and features, a dedicated auditorium and performing arts theater that can accommodate an entire division of 400 students, multiple music, art, design, and multimedia rooms and labs, and general learning space classrooms that are more than 30% larger than standard, allowing for students and teachers to re-configure the space at any time to allow for alternative teaching/learning strategies. In addition, a new indoor gymnasium and artificially surfaced football pitch will allow our school to host interscholastic athletic events for the first time. Since the school's founding, all competitive athletic events have been restricted to away games and matches, and having a "home" athletic environment will dramatically enhance both our school's competitive advantage and also contribute to increased school pride and spirit. In every way, our move to the Hi-Tech Building is expected to enhance our overall student experience, satisfaction, and ultimate excellence.

- Summarize the effect the change had on the educational program and school operation:

While we have yet to experience the effect directly, our expectations and goals for the educational program are articulated above. We have carefully planned the anticipated impact and changes on school operations for the past two years, formulating not only feasible relocation plans but, more importantly, systems integration, safety and security protocols, traffic systems and risk abatement, emergency procedural planning, incorporating child safeguarding best practices, etc. We recognize that along with the anticipated benefits of the move will also come unexpected challenges which we will need to address in "real time," but we have taken every precaution in preparing for an agile response, including any necessary pivots to alternative learning methods due to Pandemic concerns. In short, we expect this move to be transformative in elevating our already demonstrably successful program to nation-wide prominence in keeping with our Mission and Vision.

Report prepared by:

Signature

Title

Date

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